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**James J. Schmitt et al.****Serial No: 10/525,274****Filing Date: April 7, 2005****Title: BINDER COMPOSITION AND PROCESS  
FOR AGGLOMERATING PARTICULATE  
MATERIAL****Docket No: ACA 6276 P1US****Examiner: Kathleen A. McNeils****Group Art Unit: 1742****CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**I hereby certify that the attached correspondence  
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Commissioner for Patentson **October 31, 2006**  
Christina Cangelosi**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450****Sir:****Transmitted herewith is a responsive document(s) for this application.****☒ TRANSMITTAL LETTER IN DUPLICATE; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND  
CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE****☒ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 of:**☐ One Month (\$120.00)☒ Two Months (\$ 450.00)☐ Three Months (\$1020.00)☐ Four Months (\$1590.00)

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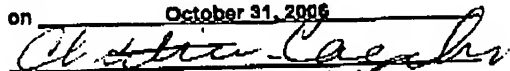
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Christina Cangelosi**RESPONSE**

Sir:

In response to the official action mailed May 31, 2006, applicants provide the following distinguishing commentary for consideration and entry in the above-identified case. Favorable reconsideration of all the pending claims is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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